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PART IV

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

DISTRICT COUNCIL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

NOTIFICATION

The 19th October, 2010.

No.DCA.39/2002/4.—Whereas, the Governor of Meghalaya, is of the opinion that it is necessary to appoint a Commission of Enquiry to enquire into and report on the affairs and prevailing situation in the administration and functioning of the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council [GHADC] within the framework of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution of India.

Now, therefore, the Governor of Meghalaya in exercise of the powers conferred by and under paragraph 14 of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, is pleased to appoint a one-man Commission of Enquiry headed by Mr Justice P. J. Agarwal (retired Judge) to enquire into and report on the affairs and prevailing situation in the administration, of the Garo Hills Autonomous District Councils generally and in particular on the administration of the Assam and Meghalaya Autonomous Districts (Constitution of District Councils) Rules, 1951 with special reference to :-

1. The fact and circumstance leading to financial instability in the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council.
2. The financial irregularities and mis-appropriation of public funds committed by the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council.
3. The administration of the laws, rules and regulations made by the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council with special reference to the alleged cancellation of appointment in respect of Laskars and Village Court staff without reasons and irregular/illegal appointment made in various Departments of the GHADC, and
4. To suggest ways and means for revamping of the administration in respect of Garo Hills Autonomous District Council.

The Headquarters of the Commission will be at Tura but the Commission may sit at any place it considers necessary within the State.

The Commission will have such officers and staff as may be placed at its disposal by the State Government.

The Commission may sit in public or in private as it thinks fit.

The Commission shall have power to examine witnesses and to call for any record or document from the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council or from the offices under the State Government. The Commission may issue notice to persons whose attendance before it may be necessary either to give evidence or to produce documents.

The Commission shall have power to regulate its own procedure in respect of and matter for which no provision has been made in this order.

The Commission will complete its enquiry and submit its report to the Government within 3 (three) months of this Notification and may also submit such interim report or reports relating to such matter or matters referred to in this order, as it may deem fit.

C. D. KYNJING,

Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
District Council Affairs Department.